# Winwick CE Primary

**School News** 

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This half term's value - Justice

Our School Vision: 'In God's love, aspire and achieve to be the best.' - Corinthians 16:14

#### Week Of: 8th to 12th January 2024

Many happy returns for the new year and a warm welcome back to all our children and their families! We hope that the Christmas break has given you time to pause and reflect and to spend time with those closest to you.

Last week, the children came back into school for the last couple of days of the week and took part in a range of activities linked to our Primary Art Network (PAN) exhibition piece, with the theme 'Around the World in 80 Days'. Over the coming weeks, the children will be finishing off their art pieces and Mrs Knapp and Mrs Jenkinson will be putting work together for the exhibition which will be displayed alongside work from other schools in the PAN Exhibition in Warrington. It has been wonderful to see the children exploring different materials and media and developing their artistic skills; we can't wait to see the final exhibition piece when it is unveiled! Further details about this will follow in February!

As we enter this new term, we have a number of exciting events to look forward too, particularly our individual class worships, where family members are invited to come along and share in a class worship in the school hall. Please note the dates for these, and other parental events, in our diary dates, as we really hope you are able to join us in school for some of the different events that will be taking place. In particular, we have our PTFA Annual General Meeting (AGM) taking place on Thursday 8th February in the evening. Our PTFA is such a valued partnership for us at school as we work closely with them to provide a range of exciting activities and fundraising events which all help to support us in school. This year, we have combined the AGM with our Quiz Night so please do come along to join us as it would be great to see more parents/ carers coming along! Further details will follow via School PING.

Just a few reminders too: Our Enrichment Clubs begin this week after school; Brass for Years 4, 5 and 6 children begin this week; Swimming continues on Friday for Year 4; see Diary Dates for advanced information about Parents' Evening and World Book Day, which are later this term!

On behalf of our Winwick Team, we hope you have a wonderful week and we look forward to seeing you at some of our parental events across the term!

Mrs Duckett and the Winwick Team

#### Prayer for the Week

Heavenly Father, we pray Your blessing on the coming school term; on our work, our dreams and our aspirations. May each of us be filled with the spirit of co-operation and may we share our God given gifts, so that the very best may be achieved. Lord, guide us to show our values of Love, Respect and Perseverance and help us to bring light into our world, following in the footsteps of your son, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

## **Key SCHOOL DIARY Dates**

### Key Dates: THIS WEEK...

Monday 8 th January: All Extra Curricular clubs begin Monday 8 th January, 1.30pm: New Reception Showround Tuesday 9 th January, 9.15am: New Reception Showround Thursday 11 th January: 9.15am: New Reception Showround Thursday 11 th January: Year 4 & Year 5 & Year 6 Brass lessons resume weekly—<u>instruments needed each Thursday</u> Thursday 11 th January : Keyboard lessons commence Friday 12th January, 9.15am: New Reception Showround Friday 12th January: Y5 Fire Safety Talk & Smoke Tent – Fire Service Friday 12th January: Y4 Swimming Commences WEEKLY until Friday 22nd March – swimming kits needed

### Key Dates: NEXT WEEK...

Monday 15th January, 1.30pm: New Reception Showround Monday 15th January: Deadline for Applications for Primary School Admissions https://www.warrington.gov.uk/primary-school-admissions Tuesday 16th January, 9am: Y6 Class Worship – family members invited (more details to follow via PING)

### Key Dates: LOOKING AHEAD...

**Tuesday 23rd January, 9am: Y5 Class Worship** – family members invited (more details to follow via PING) **Thursday 25th January, 2pm:** Y4/5/6 Brass Concert – 1 x adult per family invited due to space in the school hall (more details to follow via PING).

Monday 29th January, 4.30pm: Reception/Year 1 Parental Phonics Workshop – Adults Only (more details to follow via PING) Wednesday 31st January, 9am: Y4 Class Worship – family members invited (more details to follow via PING)

w/c 5 th February: Mental Health & Wellbeing Week Monday 5th February : Young Voices Choir Trip – pupils to come to school in their uniform and wear a white t-shirt and bring a packed lunch AND tea in a disposable bag

**Tuesday 6th February:** Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 7th February, 9am: Y3 Class Worship – family members invited (more details to follow via PING) Thursday 8th February, 6.00-7.30pm: PTFA Quiz Night & AGM (Adults Only Event)

Friday 9th February: Extra Curricular Clubs end this week Friday 9th February: School closes for half term HALF TERM

Monday 19th February: School reopens for pupils

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Thursday 22nd February : Year 4 & Year 5 & Year 6 Brass lessons resume weekly—<u>instruments needed each Thursday</u> Friday 23rd February: Year 4 swimming resume weekly

Date TBC: Welcome Service at St Oswald's to officially welcome Rev. Martin Cox to our School Community.

**1 st March:** Secondary School Application Offers Sent Today (Warrington) https://www.warrington.gov.uk/secondary-school-admissions

**Thursday 7th March:** World Book Day – Theme 'Class Authors Focus'. Children are invited to come dressed as their favourite character from a book

**Thursday 7th March, 9.00-9.30am :** Parents/Carers invited into school to read with their child(ren) – 1 adult per family (more details to follow via PING).

w/c 11th March & w/c 18th March: Primary Arts Network (PAN) exhibition at The Gateway in Warrington (more details to follow via PING)

w/c 11th March: British Science Week

Tuesday 12th March, 9am: Y2 Class Worship – family members invited (more details to follow via PING)

Friday 15th March, 9am: Y1 Class Worship – family members invited (more details to follow via PING)

Friday 15th March: Comic Relief - £1 donation – wear red

w/c 18th March: Design & Technology Focus Week

w/c 18th March: Homework focus for all classes = DT – design and make your own Easter Bonnet for the parade on 27th March. Tuesday 19th March, 9am: Reception Class Worship – family members invited (more details to follow via PING)

Monday 25th March: World Maths Day in school - children invited to dress as 'rockstars'.

Monday 25th March, 4pm: Parental Maths Workshop – Adults Only (more details to follow via PING)

Tuesday 26th March: Easter Service at St Oswald's – school only.

Wednesday 27th March: Easter Bonnet Parade in School

Wednesday 27th March: Parents' Evening (more details to follow via PING)

Thursday 28th March: Class Reward Day (more details to follow via PING)

Thursday 28th March: PTFA Break the Rules for April Fools (more details to follow via PING)

Thursday 28th March, 2pm: School Closes for the Easter Holidays





As a church school, our church at St Oswald's is really important to us. Our children love being able to visit the church to attend services and different events throughout the school year and it is important that we support them as part of our wider community.

Each week, we will share information from St Oswald's with you on our newsletter and we will also be sharing different key dates with you about the events in our local community that are supporting our church.

#### **Church Services**

Sunday 14th January, 11.00am - Communion led by Rev. Alex (St Oswald's)

Sunday 21st January, 11.30am - Joint Communion led by Rev. Alex (Newchurch)

Sunday 28th January, 11:.00am - Communion led by Rev. Alec (St Oswald's)

Our joint services are held at:

Christ Church, Lady Lane, Croft, WA3 7AU

Newchurch Parish Church, Church Lane, Culcheth, WA3 5ET

Even though there is always a warm welcome at Church, we advise you to dress according to the weather. Please wrap up warm.

Messy Church has also resumed and you can keep up with updates on the Facebook page:

Messy Church - St Oswald's Winwick

The Archdeacon of St Helens and Warrington made this announcement last term about our new Priest-in-charge at Winwick, Rev. Martin:-

"I'm really pleased to commend the Revd Martin Cox to you as the next Rector of Newchurch and Croft and Priest-in-Charge of Winwick. Martin will be joining us from Manchester Diocese where he is currently Team Rector of Astley, Tyldesley and Mossley Common. Martin will bring with him a wealth of experience in ministry and in leading a team of churches and ministers.

He will be a real blessing to us here. We look forward to welcoming Martin and his wife Heather to Winwick, Newchurch and Croft. A date for Martin's arrival has yet to be arranged and will be announced as soon as possible."

This term, we will be organising a Welcome Service for Rev. Martin to welcome him into our Winwick School Community. We are currently in the process of organising this, and will let you know further details once we have arranged a date. Rev. Martin was kind enough to join us at our Key Stage 2 Carol Concert in December and we look forward to officially welcoming him soon!

#### Thursday Coffee Mornings

The Coffee Mornings are due to start again on Thursday the **11<sup>th</sup> January at 10am in the Church Hall**. The format will be little changed, except that there will now be a charge of £5 per person for a hot drink, food and one entry into the raffle. The charge has been brought about because so many people who attend have requested that we make a charge.

We look forward to seeing your smiling faces again soon.